timber for agricultural purposes. Similarly, as the Forest department are selling away useless trees as fuel, the ryot cannot get fuel free for his use. In order to afford necessary convenience to him it is prayed that from the reserved class of trees *matte* and *nerle* may be removed and necessary quantity of fuel may be solely reserved for the use of villagers.

SUBJECT No. 550.

Grant of fuel and wood for agricultural implements in State Forests.

(*a*) Messrs. Revanasiddiah, Gurulingappa and Halappa, Honnali taluk.

(*b*) Messrs. Nanjappa, Kodandaramasetti and Channabasavaiya, Tumkur taluk.

Summary of Representation.—(*a*) The major portion of the District Forests originally set apart for the use of the ryots has since been reserved, and the little that has still been left to them scarcely contains fuel or wood for agricultural implements required by them. It is therefore prayed that they may be permitted to remove fuel and wood for agricultural implements from State Forests at concession rates.

(*b*) It is prayed that free licenses may be granted to ryots to procure wood for *bona-fide* agricultural purposes from State or District Forests.

SUBJECT No. 551.

Removal of green manure from the State Forests.

Mr. B. V. Narayana Rao, Hosdurga taluk.

Summary of Representation.—For want of *honge* and other manurial leaves in the District Forests, wet cultivation is restricted to a small area. The Forest department refuse to grant license for the removal of leaves from the State Forests. It is therefore prayed that orders may be issued permitting the removal of the said leaves from the State Forests on payment of a seigniorage that may be fixed by Government.

SUBJECT No. 552.

Free grant of *bandre* leaves.

Mr. Agali Venkataramaiya, Sira taluk.

Summary of Representation.—It is prayed that orders may be passed for the free grant of *bandre* leaves from State Forests.

SUBJECT No. 553.

Relief to persons whose houses are destroyed by accidental fires.

(1) Mr. Nadig Bhistappa, Sorab taluk,

(2) Mr. Nadig Bhaskara Rao, Shimoga District Board.

Summary of Representation.—(1) Considerable time is now required for the issue of *mafi* licenses for the wood required for the construction of houses destroyed by accidental fires. It will be convenient if the Amildars are empowered to grant, after local inspection and enquiry, the full quantity of wood required by each sufferer without the necessity of obtaining sanction of higher officers therefor. Accidental fires generally occur in summer and licenses for the removal of wood required for the rebuilding of houses destroyed by fires are received at present only in the rainy season, when it is impossible to take any advantage of the concession.

(2) Amildars may be empowered to grant wood and bamboos of a value of Rs. 25 to persons whose houses are so destroyed as much time is now lost in correspondence with higher officers in obtaining sanction for the grant of wood of more than Rs. 5 in value. *Mafi* licenses may